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COMNAVAIRLANT (N02P)

Commander, Fighter Wing, U.S. Atlantic Fleet

COMMAND HISTORY

Commander, Fighter Wing, U.S. Atlantic Fleet was established on 1 July 1971 replacing Commander Fleet Air Norfolk as supervisor, coordinator, and director of operations, maintenance, supply, and administration for Atlantic Fleet fighter squadrons. With the disestablishment of Fighter Wing, U.S. Pacific Fleet on 17 December 1996, Fighter Wing Atlantic assumed the overall responsibility for the continuing material readiness and type training of the entire F-14 community.

In 1996, Fighter Wing Atlantic integrated and deployed the LANTIRN weapons system to the F-14 Tomcat giving it a precision strike capability. This improvement is the single most important development in F-14 warfighting capability since the aircraft's initial operational capability in 1972. Other recent Fighter Wing Atlantic accomplishments include the integration and deployment of the near-real-time Digital TARPS pod, and the deployment of the Night Vision Instrumentation System.

Fighter Wing Atlantic consists of 12 operational squadrons flying the F-14 Tomcat; the Fleet Replacement Squadron, VF-101; Strike, Weapons and Tactics School Atlantic; and Fleet Composite Squadron EIGHT. The wing oversees over 270 aircraft and more than 5,000 officers and enlisted personnel. The prompt provision of services and facilities to Fighter Wing squadrons and their personnel ensures maximum combat readiness for the entire Atlantic Fleet.

Fighter Wing Atlantic provides both operational and administrative control of Fighter Squadron 101 and Strike Weapons and Tactics School, Atlantic and administrative control of Fleet Composite Squadron EIGHT, based in Puerto Rico. The Commander has administrative control of the 12 fleet Tomcat squadrons, home based at NAS Oceana and NAS Atsugi Japan. The Commander and staff coordinate the scheduling of safety inspections, aircraft material inspections and modification programs, Standard Depot Level Maintenance (SDLM) schedules, unit weapons deployments, and competitive exercises. Fighter Wing, Atlantic also assists the air wing commanders and fleet squadron commanding officers in all aspects of training and material readiness while shore-based and, when appropriate, when squadrons are deployed.

COMFITWINGLANT CALENDAR YEAR 2000

1. Command Composition and Organization

a. Mission. To exercise administrative and operational control over readiness training squadrons and other units assigned. Fighter Wing Atlantic assists air wing commanders and fleet squadron commanding officers in all aspects of training and material readiness while shore-based and, when appropriate, while squadrons are deployed.

b. Commander. Captain Mark N. Clemente

c. Command Relationships. Commander, Fighter Wing, U.S. Atlantic Fleet (COMFITWINGLANT/09216) reports to Commander, Naval Air Force, U.S. Atlantic Fleet.

2. Chronology

<u>DATE</u>	<u>EVENT</u>
13JAN00	Fighter Squadron 31 Change of Command. Commander D. R. Pine relieved Commander F. G. Doran.
15MAR00	Fighter Squadron 11 Change of Command. Commander M. D. Abner relieved Commander D. L. Whitener.
20APR00	Fighter Squadron 32 Change of Command. Commander W. T. Cooney relieved Commander G. D. Galloway.
13JUL00	Fighter Wing, U.S. Atlantic Fleet Change of Command. Captain M. N. Clemente relieved Captain G. W. Garrett.
21JUL00	Fighter Squadron 143 Change of Command. Commander W. C. McMasters relieved Commander W. L. Kervahn.
25AUG00	Fighter Squadron 2 Change of Command. Commander K. B. Baragar relieved Commander R. O. Parrish.

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31AUG00 Fighter Squadron 102 Change of Command.
Commander M. E. Wralstad relieved Commander P. O.
Molidor.

1SEP00 Fighter Squadron 213 Change of Command.
Commander H. S. King relieved Commander M. H.
Adamshick.

2SEP00 Fighter Squadron 103 Change of Command.
Commander C. A. Roll relieved Commander W. R.
Massey.

14DEC00 Fighter Squadron 154 Change of Command.
Commander P. O. Monger relieved Commander R. H.
King.

3. Administrative Department

a. First Quarter Senior Sailor of the Quarter was AK2
(b) (6). Second Quarter Senior Sailor of the Quarter was
YN2 (b) (6). Third Quarter Senior Sailor of the
Quarter was AE1 (b) (6). Third Quarter Junior Sailor of the
Quarter was AZ2 (b) (6). Fourth Quarter Senior Sailor of
the Quarter was YN1 (b) (6). Fourth Quarter Junior
Sailor of the Quarter was YN2 (b) (6). Fighter Wing
Atlantic Sailor of the Year was AE1 (b) (6). Fighter Wing
Atlantic Sea Sailor of the Year was PR1(AW/SW/PJ) (b) (6).
(b) (6). Fighter Wing Atlantic Shore Sailor of the Year was
AD1(AW) (b) (6).

b. Command Navy Achievement medals were awarded to:

LCDR (b) (6) - Special Act/Fighter Fling
Coordinator.

LT (b) (6) - Special Act/Public Affairs Officer

AEC(AW) (b) (6) - Special Act/Performance as the
F-14 Electrical advisor ensuring the successful installation and
deployment of Night Vision Devices throughout the F-14
community.

COMFITWINGLANT CALENDAR YEAR 2000 (Continued)

AK1 (b) (6) - Special Act/Performance as Supply Leading Petty Officer in support of three TOMCAT squadrons preparing for deployment.

YN1 (b) (6) - Special Act/Displayed exceptional organizational skills and keen foresight in support of 12 TOMCAT squadrons.

AT1 (AW) (b) (6) - Special Act/Performance as Individual Material Readiness List and Calibration Manager in support of the implementation and training of all F-14 squadrons in the use of the new Digital Version of the Asymmetry Sensor Test set.

IS2 (b) (6) - Special Act/Performance as Auxiliary Retail Outlet (AOR) supervisor.

c. AMSC (b) (6) commissioned as an LDO Ensign on 1 October 2000.

4. Readiness Department

a. Conducted seven operational deployments involving eight squadrons with F-14 A/B/D LANTIRN equipped precision strike capable aircraft.

b. Transitioned VF-2, VF-32, VF-102, VF-213 and VF-101 from F-14 A/B/D Analog Flight Control System (AFCS) aircraft to Digital Flight Control System (DFCS) aircraft.

c. Led the effort to plan and organize Naval Aviation's integration of the F-18 E/F Hornet into the operational community by assisting in a detailed plan to transition F-14 aircraft squadrons to F-18 E/F squadrons.

d. Continued modification for and integration of Night Vision Devices in the F-14 A/B/D.

e. Continued operational deployments with TARPS/Digital Imagery (DI) on the F-14 A/B/D.

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- f. Continued operational deployment of the Fast Tactical Imagery (FTI) system for the F-14 A/B/D. The system enables the F-14 to transmit LANTIRN or other video imagery to a ground station, as well as receive up-transmitted imagery.
- g. Continued modification of and integration of GPS/INS capability on the F-14B and F-14D.
- h. Continued assisting the Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Research and Development (ASN/RDA) and COMNAVAIRSYSCOM in evaluation of TARPS-Complete Digital (TARPS-CD) enhancements.
- i. Continued assisting AIRTEVRON NINE (VX-9) in the operational application of new hardware/software upgrades and weapons systems employment for the F-14B and F-14D.
- j. Provided briefing tours, simulator demonstrations and orientation flights for numerous distinguished visitors.
- k. Provided F-14 flight demonstrations, ceremonial event flyovers and static displays to over 40 sites throughout the Continental United States.
- l. Contributed significantly to the outstanding success of the award winning NAS Oceana air show.

5. Maintenance Department

- a. Successfully demonstrated the Synthetic Aperture Radar (SAR) pod on an F-14B aircraft. The ground and airborne tests were completed through the close coordination with ELTA Corporation, the Israeli SAR pod manufacturer, Lockheed Martin, Commander, Fighter Wing Atlantic and VF-143.
- b. Incorporated DFCS 4.4 software into all DFCS F-14 aircraft.
- c. Coordinated the final testing and initial installations of the ALE-47 BOL Chaff system. Fleet installs to begin early 2001.

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- d. Assisted in the development of Joint Direct Attack Munitions (JDAM) including fit checks, verification of release and control checks, loading/downloading procedures. Anticipate initial fleet released weapon early 2001.
- e. Outfitted two squadrons with the "new-style" brakes. The old brakes are no longer manufactured or supported. As new brakes are delivered additional squadrons will be outfitted. The new brakes have different braking characteristics and must be changed out as a set.
- f. Conducted thorough review, update and standardization of the Aircraft Inventory Records (AIR's) for all T/M/S's.
- g. Reviewed and developed the Technical Directive (TD) database to verify aircraft configuration matches aircraft logbook.
- h. Identified defective Drop Tank Bushings (DTB). Coordinated comprehensive inspection and replacement of DTB's fleetwide.
- i. Coordinated initial and recurring inspections of Nose Landing Gear Collars following aircraft mishap at sea. Managed systematic replacement of defective and suspect remanufactured collars.
- j. Weighed six aircraft that had not been weighed in over five years to determine if numerous minor (insignificant weight difference) aircraft modifications have changed the overall weight and balance of the aircraft. Very minor differences were noted.
- k. Identified several aircraft that will exceed the maximum Operating Service Life (OSL) of 216 months. Coordinated with FST and NAVAIR engineers in the development of recurring inspection to be accomplished concurrent with ASPA 2 and subsequent inspections. Recurring inspections will enable extension of service life beyond 216 months.
- l. Performed 240 Planner and Estimator (P&E) repairs at NAS Oceana.

COMFITWINGLANT CALENDAR YEAR 2000 (Continued)

m. Formalized F/A-18 E/F Transition Plan 28 that will keep the F-14 in operational service out to 2009. Modified long-term aircraft inventory plan to support Plan 28.

n. Reduced active F-14 inventories by 11 aircraft. Three aircraft were involved in mishaps and lost at sea; one aircraft was transferred to Museum status at NAVICP Philadelphia; two aircraft were retired to RESCEN Willow Grove, PA and Denver, CO to be used for maintenance trainers; one aircraft was transferred to China Lake, CA for destructive testing; one aircraft was delivered AMARC for long term storage and four aircraft were struck for SARDIP action in Oceana VA, Fallon NV, and Atsugi, Japan.

o. Transferred 28 aircraft within Fighter Wing.

p. Inducted 16 aircraft for SDLM in accordance with the F-14 Roadmap II: 16 aircraft completed SDLM.

q. Installed the following operational and structural enhancements at five separate geographical locations including NAS Oceana, NAS Point Mugu, NAS Norfolk, NADEP Jacksonville and Northrup-Grumman, St. Augustine:

(1) LANTIRN	15
(2) BOL CHAFF	9
(3) F-14B Upgrade	8
(4) ALR-67	8
(5) DFCS	68
(6) NVIS	19
(7) FTI	30
(8) EGI	15
(9) MAGR	17
(10) TARPS	8

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(11) TARPS DI	7
(12) VDIG (R) Pre-wire	12
(13) Wing Leading Edge	18
(14) DIM 5K TCR	5

r. Total end of year active F-14 aircraft inventory is as follows:

(1) F-14A	67
(2) F-14B	73
(3) F-14D	50
(4) TOTAL	190

CAPTAIN MARK N. CLEMENTE
UNITED STATES NAVY

Captain Clemente is a 1979 graduate of the United States Naval Academy. He reported to flight school at NAS Pensacola and earned his Naval Flight Officer wings in January 1981. He then reported to NAS Oceana in Virginia Beach, Virginia for F-14 Replacement Training at VF-101.

Captain Clemente reported to the "Black Aces" of VF-41 in December 1981, and made three Mediterranean deployments with the USS NIMITZ (CVN-68), receiving two Battle E's, the Safety "S", and the Clifton Award. In 1985 Captain Clemente reported back to the "Grim Reapers" of VF-101 as a Fleet Replacement instructor. In 1988 he reported to the VF-14 "Tophatters" where he served as Assistant Operations Officer and made his fourth Mediterranean cruise aboard USS JOHN F. KENNEDY (CV-67).

In December 1988 Captain Clemente joined the staff of Commander Carrier Group EIGHT as the Flag Lieutenant and served until 1991, cruising with the KENNEDY and AMERICA Battle Groups.

Captain Clemente rejoined the VF-14 "Tophatters" for his department head tour when the KENNEDY Battle Group deployed with five days notice in support of Operation Desert Storm/Shield and served as Assistant Maintenance Officer and Maintenance Officer.

Following his department head tour, Captain Clemente attended the Naval War College in Newport, Rhode Island and received a Masters Degree in Strategic Studies in March 1993. He then reported to the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations as an OPNAV Fellow, working in the Strategic Concepts Branch of N3/N5.

In 1995 Captain Clemente reported to the "Blacklions" of VF-213 as the Executive Officer, deploying on USS ABRAHAM LINCOLN (CVN-72) to the Western Pacific, Indian Ocean, and Northern Arabian Gulf in support of Operation Southern Watch. Captain Clemente took command of VF-213 from July 1996 to October 1997, making a second WESTPAC deployment in October 1996 aboard USS KITTY HAWK (CV-63). In November 1997, Captain Clemente reported to the U.S. Naval Academy's Professional Development Division, where he served as the Chairman of the Department of Leadership, Ethics and Law. He reported as Commander, Fighter Wing, U.S. Atlantic Fleet, on 13 July 2000.

Captain Clemente's personal awards include the Meritorious Service Medal (two awards), the Air Medal with Combat "V", the Strike Flight Air Medal (four awards), the Navy Commendation Medal with Combat "V" (six awards) and the Navy Achievement Medal (two awards).

Captain Clemente is married to the former (b) (6) of (b) (6) and they have two daughters (b) (6). They reside in (b) (6).



CAPTAIN MARK N. CLEMENTE
COMMANDER, FIGHTER WING
U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET

FORMER WING COMMANDERS

Captain Eugene Bezore	1 July 1971-4 January 1972
Captain Wilbert D. Knutson	4 January 1972-16 July 1974
Captain Lowell R. Myers	16 July 1974-27 August 1975
Captain Gerald L. Riendeau	27 August 1975-27 August 1976
Captain John S. Disher	27 August 1976-28 April 1978
Captain Samuel C. Flynn, Jr.	28 April 1978-31 July 1980
Captain Robert E. Tucker, Jr.	31 July 1980-2 April 1982
Captain Frederick L. Lewis	2 April 1982-7 October 1983
Captain Roy Cash, Jr.	7 October 1983-7 February 1985
Captain Donald L. McCrory	7 February 1985-15 September 1986
Captain John F. Manning, Jr.	15 September 1986-9 August 1988
Captain Curtiss W. Schantz Jr.	9 August 1988-17 May 1990
Captain Richard W. Potter	17 May 1990-24 June 1991
Captain James Flaherty, Jr.	24 June 1991-7 August 1992
Captain Robert S. Schmidt	7 August 1992-30 September 1994
Captain Dale O. Snodgrass	30 September 1994-30 January 1997
Captain Thomas F. Enright	31 January 1997-31 July 1998
Captain Gene W. Garrett	1 August 1998-13 July 2000

COMCOMFITWINGLANT STAFF DIRECTORY

2-Mar-01

DSN: 433:

<u>Codes</u>	<u>Primary and Collateral Duties</u>	<u>Rank/Name</u>	<u>433/IC</u>
N00	Commander	CAPT M. N. CLEMENTE	4000/221
N002	Commodore/CSO Secretary	MRS. P. L. HULL	4003/223
N004	Command Master Chief	AVCM K. R. DALEY	4288/273
N02	Chief Staff Officer	CDR (b) (6)	4001/222
N02A	Admin Officer	LCDR	4002/224
N02A1	Admin CPO	YNC	4008/227
N02A2	Admin Yeoman	YN1	4023/228
N02A3	Admin Yeoman	YN2	4007/226
ADMIN	Duty Driver	AN (b) (6)	4024/230
N02F	Budget Analyst	MS.	4006/256
N02F1	Budget Assistant	YN2	4058/258
N02F2	Budget Assistant	YN2	4010/260
N02G	FITWING Chaplain	LT	4369/2871
N02M	Senior Medical Officer	LCDR (b) (6)	4004/225
N02P	Public Affairs Officer	LT (b) (6)	5590
N02P1	Assistant PAO	VACANT	
N02T	Command Career Counselors	NCC (b) (6)	4029/4872/232
N2	SSO	LCDR	4002
N2A	Assistant SSO	CTAC	2317
N2B	Intel Petty Officer	IS1	2317
N83	Readiness Officer	CDR	4020/265
N83A	Readiness Secretary/RAINBOW	MRS. (b) (6)	4019/267
N83B	Assistant Readiness Officer	LCDR (b) (6)	5590
N83B1	Midshipman Coordinator	LT V.	4014/272
N83B2	NORAD Officer	VACANT	
N83B3	TRAINING & READINESS	LCDR (b) (6)	4015/271
N83B4	F-18E/F	CDR	4011/270
N83P	Aeromedical Safety Officer/ Laser Systems Safety Officer	LT (b) (6)	4017/269

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<u>Codes</u>	<u>Primary and Collateral Duties</u>	<u>Rank/Name</u>	<u>433/IC</u>
N831	Strike/TAC D& E Officer	LCDR (b) (6)	5590
N832A	Air Space/Training Route/Noise Complaint	LT (b) (6)	4014/272
N833	HURREVAC Officer	LT	4014/272
N833A	Assistant HURREVAC Officer	LT	4017/269
N834	LANTIRN PROJECT	VACANT	
N835	FRS PRODUCTION/ASST AIRSHOW COORD/Battle 'E'	LCDR (b) (6)	5750
N553	Simulator Officer	LCDR (b) (6)	4021/266
N553A	Simulator Advisor	MR. M. F. MERCER	2549
N553B	Simulator Advisor	MR. M. R. MCDONOUGH	3082
	TACTS Range	MR. W. SENTI	1900
	TACTS Fax Machine		1916
N44D	Safety Officer/CFC	LCDR (b) (6)	4021/266
N4	Maintenance Officer	CDR	4056/239
N4A	AMO/Inventory Manager	LCDR	4055/254
N4A1	Aviation Analyst	AZC (b) (6)	4060/233
N4A2	Aviation Analyst	AZ2	4040/234
		AZ2	
N4A3	Norfolk ISR	AECS	445-9744
		Pager number	626-4499
N4B	Maintenance MCPO	AFCM (b) (6)	4050/253
N4C	Special Projects	AFCM	4066
N4D	Facilities/Transportation	AOC (b) (6)	4037
	First Lieutenant	AMS2 (b) (6)	5495
N41	Material Control	AVCM	4036/238
N41A	Supply Advisor	AKC (b) (6)	4036/235
N41A1	OPTAR Manager	AK1	4034/237
N41A2	Asst. Supply Advisor	AK2	4034/237
N41B	IMRL Manager	AT1	4035/236
N41C	SARDIP	AMEC (b) (6)	4041
N421	Avionics Officer	LT (b) (6)	4046/247

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N421A	Electrical Advisor	AEC (b) (6)	4049/246
N421A1	Electrical Advisor	AE1	4049/246
N421B	Avionics/EW Advisor	ATCS	4047/245
N421C	Avionics/EW Advisor	ATC	4047/245
N421D	LANTIRN/TARPS	PH1	4066/264
N422	Airframes Officer	LT (b) (6)	4054/255
N422A	Airframes Advisor	AMSC (b) (6)	4044/250
N422B	Corrosion/Hydraulic Advisor	AMCS	4048/249
N422C	Power Plants Advisor	ADCS	4051/252
N422D	Egress/Env Advisor	AMEC	4045/251
N423	Manpower/Training	LT (b) (6)	4033/257
N423A	Maintenance Training Supervisor	ATC (b) (6)	4025/259
N423A1	Maintenance Training Team	AMS1	4067/264
N423A2	Maintenance Training Team	AD1	4028/263
N423A3	Maintenance Training Team	Vacant	4052
N423B	HAZMAT/Safety	AMSC (b) (6)	4031/259
N423C	Maint Admin	VACANT	4052/248
N6	ADP Coordinator	ITC (b) (6)	4030/231
N61	ADP Assistant	IT1	4026/229
N85	Weapons Division Officer	LT (b) (6)	4038/240
N85A	Weapons Advisor	AOC	4037/241
N85A1	Weapons Advisor	AO1	4082
N85B	NAWC Detachment	MR. R. ROUND	4570
N85B2	NAWC Detachment	MR. H. WALLACE	4571
C4A1	Aircraft Analyst	MR. J. C. O'GRADY	428-7416
SEMCOR		MR. P. E. TAYLOR	491-0261
SEMCOR		MR. T. JONES	491-2362
SEMCOR		MR. B. FRANK	491-8396
SEMCOR		MR. J. KADLECIK	433-4573
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P&E NADEP Jacksonville Det Norfolk		MR. L. EVANS	4039
		MR. K. MOORE	4039
FAX: 4036		MR. H. MORGAN	4043
VF-101	Instructional Systems Spec.	MR. B. COOK	5792

TELECOPIER PHONE NUMBER - 4009/4022

(MAINT ADMIN) - 4032

SIMULATOR TELECOPIER PHONE NUMBER - 2598

COMMANDER, FIGHTER WING, U.S. ATLANTIC FLEET
 NAS OCEANA, VIRGINIA
 COMMAND ORGANIZATION

OFFICER: 17
 ENLISTED: 38
 CIVILIAN: 6
 TOTAL: 61

